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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Application Number	09/456,693
Filing Date	December 9, 1999
First Named Inventor	Dasa Lipovsek
Group Art Unit	1639
Examiner Name	T.D. Wessendorf
Attorney Docket No.	COTH-P01-507

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on March 23, 2004
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____


2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 18-1945
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Xuqiong Wu	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	55,745
Signature		Date	May 20, 2004

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL
for FY 2003**

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$)**375.00****Complete if Known**

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None☒ Deposit Account

Deposit Account Number

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Ropes & Gray LLP

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

☒ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☒ Credit any overpayments☒ Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	2001	750	375			Utility filing fee	
1002	2002	330	165			Design filing fee	
1003	2003	520	260			Plant filing fee	
1004	2004	750	375			Reissue filing fee	
1005	2005	160	80			Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)							0.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims		** =	Extra Claims	x	Fee from below	=	Fee Paid
Independent Claims		** =		x		=	
Multiple Dependent						=	

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1202	2202	18	9			Claims in excess of 20	
1201	2201	84	42			Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	2203	280	140			Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	2204	84	42			** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	2205	18	9			** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)							0.00

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	2051	130	65			Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	2052	50	25			Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
1053	1053	130	130			Non-English specification	
1812	1812	2,520	2,520			For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	1804	920*	920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1805	1,840*	1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	2251	110	55			Extension for reply within first month	
1252	2252	410	205			Extension for reply within second month	
1253	2253	930	465			Extension for reply within third month	
1254	2254	1,450	725			Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2255	1,970	985			Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	2401	320	160			Notice of Appeal	
1402	2402	320	160			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	2403	280	140			Request for oral hearing	
1451	1451	1,510	1,510			Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	2452	110	55			Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	2453	1,300	650			Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	2501	1,300	650			Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	2502	470	235			Design issue fee	
1503	2503	630	315			Plant issue fee	
1460	1460	130	130			Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	1807	50	50			Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	1806	180	180			Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	8021	40	40			Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	2809	750	375			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	2810	750	375			For each additional invention to be examined (37CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	2801	750	375			Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	375.00
1802	1802	900	900			Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)**375.00****SUBMITTED BY**

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